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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5663**
Tomoyasu MURAKI : Docket No. 2002-0016A
Serial No. 10/058,737 : Group Art Unit 1711
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A RUBBER COMPOSITION USED FOR
A RUBBER STOPPER FOR A MEDICAMENT
OR FOR A MEDICAL TREATMENT OR ITS
CROSSLINKED PRODUCT

Request for Copies of References and Resetting Date for Response

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

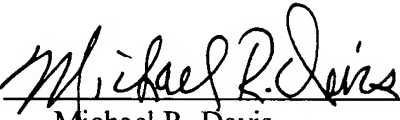
The Office Action mailed July 30, 2003 applies 3 U.S. patents (Pearson et al., Shurpik and Zapp et al.) in rejecting the claims. However, copies of these references were not enclosed with the Office Action. MPEP 707.05(a), cited at the bottom of the PTO-892 form, gives reasons for not including references with the Office Action, but none of these reasons applies to the present factual situation. Accordingly, copies of the 3 U.S. patents should have been supplied with the Office Action.

Accordingly, Applicant requests copies of the Pearson et al., Shurpik and Zapp et al. references.

Applicant also requests that the date for filing the response be reset to expire three months from the mailing date of the references.

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